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Of the Late

Duke of Monmouth's LETTER

To the Duke of *ALBEMARLE.*

To Our Truſty and well Beloved Couſin and Councellour, Chriſtopher *Duke of* ALBEMARLE.

My Lord,

WHereas We are Credibly Informed that there are ſome Horſe and Foot with Arms under your Graces Command for *James* Duke of *York*, which are purpoſely Raiſed in Oppoſition to Us and Our Royal Authority, We thought fit to ſignifie to you Our Reſentment thereof, and do promiſe Our Selves that what you have Tranſacted therein, is through Inadvertency and Miſtake, and that your Grace will take other Meaſures when you have received Information of Our being Proclaimed *King*, to ſucceed Our Royal Father, lately Deceaſed: We have therefore ſent this Meſſenger on purpoſe to intimate the ſame unto you, and it's Our Royal Will and Pleaſure, and We do hereby Strictly Charge and Command you upon Notice and Receipt hereof, to ceaſe all Hoſtility and force of Arms againſt Us, and Our Loving Subjects, and that your Grace will immediately repair to Our *Camp*, where you ſhall not fail of a very kind and hearty

hearty Acceptance by Us, or in default of the Premiſes, We ſhall be oblieged to proclaim you, and all thoſe in Arms under your Command, Rebells and Trayters, and ſhall proceed againſt you and them accordingly, yet We aſſure Our Selves your Grace will pay ready Obedience to Our Command, wherefore We bid you Heartily Farewell.

James R.

THE

Duke of Albemarle's ANSWER.

To *James Scot*, late Duke of *MONMOUTH.*

I *Received Yours, and do not doubt but you would uſe me very Kindly, if you had me, and ſince you have given your ſelf the Trouble of an Invitation, this is to let you know I never was, nor ever will be a Rebell to my Lawful* King, *who is* James *the Second, Brother to my late dear Maſter* Charles *the Second: If you think I am in the Wrong, and your ſelf in the Right, when ever we meet I do not doubt but the Juſtice of my Cauſe ſhall ſo ſufficiently Convince you, that you had better have left this* Rebellion *alone, then to have put the Nation to ſo much Trouble.*

Albemarle.

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